

Amendments to the Claims

1. (original) A method in a computer system for communicating the present status of a job queue that contains a plurality of print jobs, comprising:

controlling a display device to display a plurality of images; and

wherein each image is a print preview image of a different one of the plurality of print jobs in the job queue.

2. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the plurality of images are displayed simultaneously.

3. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the plurality of images are displayed simultaneously and the images are displayed in an arrangement indicative of an order the plurality of jobs are presently lined up in the queue.

4. (original) The method of claim 3, further comprising:
receiving a request to line up the jobs in the job queue in a different order;
in response to the request, rearranging the jobs in the job queue so that the jobs are lined up in the different order; and
in response to the request, controlling the display device to display the images in a modified arrangement, wherein the modified arrangement indicates the jobs are lined up in the different order.

5. (original) The method of claim 3, further comprising:
receiving a request to view multiple pages of a selected one of the images, wherein the selected image is a print preview image of a single page of a first job from the plurality of jobs; and
in response to the request, controlling the display device to display a print preview image of multiple pages of the first job.

6. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the method is performed by a computer device coupled to a printing device over a communication link; and wherein the job queue services the printing device.
7. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the method is performed by a printing device and the display device is local to the printing device.
8. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the controlling step is not performed until at least one personal identification number (PIN) is received.
9. (original) The method of claim 4, wherein the request is received by a user dragging and dropping at least one of the displayed images.
10. (original) A printing device serviced by a job queue, comprising:
means for receiving a request for the present status of the job queue; and
means for responding to the request by:
(i) generating a print preview image of at least some of the jobs in the job queue when the job queue includes a plurality of jobs; and
(ii) displaying the print preview images.
11. (original) The printing device of claim 10, wherein the responding means displays the print preview images in an arrangement that is indicative of the way the corresponding jobs are lined up in the job queue.
12. (original) The printing device of claim 10, wherein the responding means displays the print preview images in an order based upon an order the corresponding jobs are lined up in the job queue.

13. (original) The printing device of claim 10, further comprising:
means for receiving a selection of one of the displayed images, wherein the selected image is a print preview image of a first job in the job queue;
means for receiving a request to cancel a job the selected print preview image represents;
and
means for responding to the request by canceling the first job.

14. (original) The printing device of claim 10, further comprising:
means for receiving a user selection of one of the displayed images, wherein the selected image is a print preview image of a first job in the job queue;
means for receiving a request to suspend a job the selected print preview image represents;
means for responding to the request by suspending the first job.

15. (original) The printing device of claim 10, wherein the responding means simultaneously displays the print preview images on a display device in an arrangement that is indicative of the way the corresponding jobs are lined up in the job queue and the printing device further comprising:
means for allowing a user to change the way the jobs are lined up in the job queue by rearranging the print preview images.

16. (original) A printing device, comprising:
a display device;
a controller; and
wherein the controller includes the capability to:
(a) generate a print preview image of a job in a job queue; and
(b) control the display device to display the print preview image.

17. (original) The printing device of claim 16, wherein the controller includes the capability to:

(c) generate a print preview image of multiple jobs in the job queue when the job queue contains a plurality of jobs;

(d) control the display device to simultaneously display at least some of the print preview images of the multiple jobs.

18. (original) The printing device of claim 16, wherein the controller includes the capability to:

(c) generate a print preview image of a set of jobs in the job queue when the job queue contains a plurality of jobs;

(d) control the display device to simultaneously display the print preview images in an arrangement that indicates the way the set of jobs are lined up in the job queue.

19-24. (canceled)

25. (original) A method in a computer system for communicating the present status of a job queue that contains a plurality of print jobs, comprising:

receiving a request from a client,

responding to the request by transmitting at least one image to the client;

wherein the image is a print preview image of one of the plurality of jobs.

26-28. (canceled)